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**Subject:** RE: EPA announces Brownfield Grants to West Virginia

Thanks for this, Mark. Are these FY17 grants funded through the STAG – Brownfields account?

**From:** Ferrell, Mark [mailto:Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2017 12:14 PM  
**Subject:** EPA announces Brownfield Grants to West Virginia

Greetings - good news!

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has selected 172 communities across the country to receive funding for brownfield site revitalization to help local governments redevelop vacant and unused properties, transforming communities and local economies.

Funds being directed to West Virginia today:

**Bath**  
**Railroad Depot Complex (former CSX site - Lot 3)**

**\$100,000**

**Brooke-Hancock Regional Planning and Development Council**

**Assessment Coalition**

**\$600,000**

**Thomas**

## **Community Assessment**

**\$200,000**

**Upshur County Commission  
County Youth Camp Tar Pit**

**\$200,000**

**Vienna  
Former Johns Manville Site**

**\$200,000**

**Rainelle/Rupert**

**WV DEP assessment**

**\$300,00**

View the list of the FY 2017 applicants selected for funding here (LINK WILL BE LIVE AT 12PM): <https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-list-fy17-grants-selected-funding>

Studies have shown that residential property values near brownfields sites that are cleaned up increased between 5 and 15.2%. and can increase property values within a one-mile radius of that site. A study analyzing data near 48 brownfield sites shows that an estimated \$29 to \$97 million in additional tax revenue was generated for local governments in a single year after cleanup. This is two to seven times more than the \$12.4 million EPA contributed to those brownfields.

As of May 2017, more than 124,759 jobs and \$24 billion of public and private funding has been leveraged as a result of assessment grants and other EPA Brownfields grants. On average, \$16.11 was leveraged for each EPA Brownfields dollar and 8.5 jobs

leveraged per \$100,000 of EPA brownfields funds expended on assessment, cleanup, and revolving loan fund cooperative agreements

About EPA's brownfields program: <https://epa.gov/brownfields>

Successful Brownfields stories: <https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-success-stories>

As always, you can contact me with any questions you may have.

~Mark

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